Introduction of VRS in Central Government Offices

†1484. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any final opinion has been made to introduce Voluntary Retirement Scheme in the Central Government Offices;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) No proposal is under consideration of the Government to introduce a new Voluntary Retirement Scheme in the Central Government Offices.

(b) Do not arise in view of reply to (a) above.

(c) At present two voluntary retirement schemes are available. One is under rule 48-A of the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 which permits a Government servant to seek voluntary retirement after completion of 20 years' qualifying service subject to fulfilling the conditions laid down in the rule and the second is special Voluntary Retirement Scheme for surplus Central Government employees introduced *vide* Government of India O.M. No. 25013/6/2001-Estt(A) dated 28.2.2002. These two schemes adequately meet the requirements.

Prosecution cases against senior officials

1485. SHRI CHO S. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that CVC has granted permission to proceed with prosecution of senior officials involved in vigilance and corruption cases;

(b) if so, how many such officials are involved in corrupt cases;

(c) how many are being reported to Government about the officials relating to corrupt practices every year; and

(d) what speedy measures are being taken to check corruption in Government departments?

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